Changes included in Publication 4164 (Revised), June 15, 2004

The following changes were included in the revised Publication 4164, dated June 15, 2004:

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Renumbered page number references and added Section 5.4 Restoring an Acknowledgement.

Section 1.4, Exclusions to Electronic Filing

Removed Foreign and American Possessions addresses from exclusion listing.

Section 2.1.6, 1120/1120S Attachments

Added binary attachment title "8838 Signature Document" to the condition table. Added "Special instructions for other forms and attachments that require signatures:"

Section 2.2 Version Control for MeF Schemas and Business Rules

Changed wording to emphasize the possibility that the transmission schema version and the return schema version may be different.

Section 2.3 MeF XML Schema File Structures

Updated the file structure.

Section 3.1, Transmitting Through EMS

Revised wording to include the web address (URL) for the EMS EEC Trading Partner Users' Manual.

Section 3.2.2, Transmitting through MeF Internet Filing and 3.2.3, Submitting a Transmission File

Updated screen shots and steps.

Section 4.2, Validating Transmission File

Minor wording revision for Rule Numbers T0000-001 and T0000-002.

Section 5.2, Retrieving the Acknowledgement File from EMS

Added web address (URL) for the EMS ECC Trading Partner Users' Manual.

Section 5.3, Retrieving the Acknowledgement through the Internet

Updated screen shots illustrating the navigation to MeF Internet Filing Application through the IRS website.

Section 5.4, Restoring an Acknowledgement

Added section to publication.

Section 7.1, Practitioner PIN Option

Added web address (URL) for Form 8879-EO http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-fill/f8879eo.pdf.

Minor wording revision for Rule Number R0000-030.

Section 7.2, Scanned Form 8453 Option

Added web address (URL) for Form 8453-EO http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-fill/f8453eo.pdf.

Exhibit 2, Identifiers

Removed statement "It allows for ASCII characters" and added the allowable characters to the Sequence Number: The format for the 20 digit identifier is: EFIN (6 digits) -> Year (4 digits) -> Julian Day (3 digits) -> Sequence Number (7 alphanumeric; can also contain characters ":", ".", and "-").

Exhibit 4, District Office Codes for EFINS table.

Deleted outdated exhibit.

Exhibit 5, Foreign Country Codes table Renumbered to Exhibit 4.

Exhibit 6, Forms and Attachments Listing, 1120/1120S Renumbered to Exhibit 5. Revised listing for Forms 1120/1120S.

<u>Appendix A, Composing the Transmission File and Return Data for the Modernized e-File System – An Overview.</u>
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